

Statutes of Interest to County Tax Collectors

as Amended by Statutes 2008



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To the Tax Collectors of California:

I am pleased to send you the *2008 Statutes of Interest to County Tax Collectors* booklet. This booklet is published to provide a compendium of legislation enacted in 2008 that may be relevant to your operations. I have listed a brief explanation of some of the elements below.

The Statute Sections Affected table, located at the beginning of this publication, is a consolidated reference point providing pertinent information of each code section appearing in this booklet including: how the code was affected - either amended, added or repealed; the chapter number; the effective date; a brief description of the related subject matter; and the page number in this booklet where the full text of the code appears.

Within the body of the publication, a copy of the text is provided for each code section affected by new legislation. Bold and italicized text indicates new language added to the code. Text that contains a strike-through element indicates language that has been deleted.

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Foreword

The 2008 Edition of *The Statutes of Interest to County Tax Collectors* is published to provide an annual compilation of legislation related to tax collector operations that has added, amended, or repealed sections of the California Codes.

The items in this publication are listed by code section. The Statute Sections Affected table lists: the code section; whether the code section was added to, amended, or repealed, the bill number, the chapter number, the effective date of the change, and a brief description of the subject matter.

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Statute Sections Affected

GOVERNMENT CODE

Code Section	Action*	Bill No.	Chapter No.	Effective Date	Page No.	Description
8855	Am	SB 1124	709	1/1/09	1	Elimination of References to Repealed Code and Obsolete Reports
53646	Am	SB 1124	709	1/1/09	3	Elimination of References to Repealed Code and Obsolete Reports

REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE

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75.24	Ad	AB 3035	201	1/1/09	7	Time Extension for Exemption or Supplemental Tax
195.120	Am	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	7	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.122	Am	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	7	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.128	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	8	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.129	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	8	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.130	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	9	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.131	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	9	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.132	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	10	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.133	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	10	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
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195.136	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	11	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
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*Am = Amended; Ad = Added; Rp = Repealed

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195.143	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	14	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.144	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	15	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
195.145	Ad	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	15	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
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218	Am	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	22	Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
4836	Am	AB 2411	329	1/1/09	25	Refinement of Reduction of Assessment Procedures
5097	Am	AB 2411	329	1/1/09	26	Refinement of Reduction of Assessment Procedures
5151	Am	AB 2411	329	1/1/09	27	Interest on Refunds from Reduction of Assessment
17207	Am	SB 1064	386	9/27/08	28	Reassessment of Damaged Properties
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PENAL CODE

Code Section	Action*	Bill No.	Chapter No.	Effective Date	Page No.	Description
1298	Am	SB 1241	699	1/1/09	35	County Treasurer Conflict of Duty Correction

*Am = Amended; Ad = Added; Rp = Repealed

GOVERNMENT CODE

Senate Bill 1124, Chapter 709 Elimination of References to Repealed Code and Obsolete Reports Effective 1/1/2009

Section 8855 of the Government Code is amended to read:

8855 (a) There is created the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission, consisting of nine members, selected as follows:

- (1) The Treasurer, or his or her designee.
- (2) The Governor or the Director of Finance.
- (3) The Controller, or his or her designee.

(4) Two local government finance officers appointed by the Treasurer, one each from among persons employed by a county and by a city or a city and county of this state, experienced in the issuance and sale of municipal bonds and nominated by associations affiliated with these agencies .

(5) Two Members of the Assembly appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

(6) Two Members of the Senate appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules.

(b) (1) The term of office of an appointed member is four years, but appointed members serve at the pleasure of the appointing power. In case of a vacancy for any cause, the appointing power shall make an appointment to become effective immediately for the unexpired term.

(2) Any legislators appointed to the commission shall meet with and participate in the activities of the commission to the extent that the participation is not incompatible with their respective positions as Members of the Legislature. For purposes of this chapter, the Members of the Legislature shall constitute a joint interim legislative committee on the subject of this chapter.

(c) The Treasurer shall serve as chairperson of the commission and shall preside at meetings of the commission.

(d) Appointed members of the commission shall not receive a salary, but shall be entitled to a per diem allowance of fifty dollars (\$50) for each day's attendance at a meeting of the commission not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300) in any month, and reimbursement for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties under this chapter, including travel and other necessary expenses.

(e) The commission may adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business.

(f) The commission shall meet on the call of the chairperson, at the request of a majority of the members, or at the request of the Governor. A majority of all non legislative members of the commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(g) The office of the Treasurer shall furnish all administrative assistance required by the commission.

(h) The commission shall do all of the following:

(1) Assist all state financing authorities and commissions in carrying out their responsibilities as prescribed by law, including assistance with respect to federal legislation pending in Congress.

(2) Upon request of any state or local government units, to assist them in the planning, preparation, marketing, and sale of new debt issues to reduce cost and to assist in protecting the issuer's credit.

(3) Collect, maintain, and provide comprehensive information on all state and all local debt authorization and issuance, and serve as a statistical clearinghouse for all state and local debt issues. This information shall be readily available upon request by any public official or any member of the public.

(4) Maintain contact with state and municipal bond issuers, underwriters, credit rating agencies, investors, and others to improve the market for state and local government debt issues.

(5) Undertake or commission studies on methods to reduce the costs and improve credit ratings of state and local issues.

(6) Recommend changes in state laws and local practices to improve the sale and servicing of state and local debts.

(7) Establish a continuing education program for local officials having direct or supervisory responsibility over municipal investments and debt issuance. The commission shall undertake these and any other activities necessary to disclose investment and debt issuance practices and strategies that may be conducive for oversight purposes.

(8) Collect, maintain, and provide information on local agency investments of public funds for local agency investment.

(9) Publish a monthly newsletter describing and evaluating the operations of the commission during the preceding month.

~~(i) The city, county, or city and county investor of any public funds, no later than 60 days after the close of the second and fourth quarters of each calendar year, shall provide the quarterly reports required pursuant to Section 53646 and, no later than 60 days after the close of the second quarter of each calendar year and 60 days after the subsequent amendment thereto, provide the statement of investment policy required pursuant to Section 53646, to the commission by mail, postage prepaid, or by any other method approved by the commission. The commission shall collect these reports to further its educational responsibilities as described under subdivision (e). Nothing in this section shall be construed to create additional oversight responsibility for the commission or any of its members. Sole responsibility for control, oversight, and accountability of local investment decisions shall remain with local officials. The commission shall not be considered to have any fiduciary duty with respect to any local agency income report received under this subdivision. In addition, the commission shall not have any legal liability with respect to these investments.~~

~~—(j) The commission, no later than May 1, 2006, shall report to the Legislature describing its activities since the inception of the local agency investment reporting program regarding the collection and maintenance of information on local agency investment reporting practices and how the commission uses that information to fulfill its statutory goals.~~

~~—(k) The issuer of any proposed new debt issue of state or local government shall, no later than 30 days prior to the sale of any debt issue at public or private sale, give written notice of the proposed sale to the commission, by mail, postage prepaid, or by any other method approved by the commission. This subdivision shall also apply to any nonprofit public benefit corporation incorporated for the purpose of acquiring student loans. The notice shall include the proposed sale date, the name of the issuer, the type of debt issue, and the estimated principal amount of the debt. Failure to give this notice shall not affect the validity of the sale.~~

~~(i)~~ *The issuer of any proposed new debt issue of state or local government shall, no later than 30 days prior to the sale of any debt issue at public or private sale, give written notice of the proposed sale to the commission, by mail, postage prepaid, or by any other method approved by the commission. This subdivision shall also apply to any nonprofit public benefit corporation incorporated for the purpose of acquiring student loans. The notice shall include the proposed sale date, the name of the issuer, the type of debt issue, and the estimated principal amount of the debt. Failure to give this notice shall not affect the validity of the sale.*

(j) The issuer of any new debt issue of state or local government, not later than 45 days after the signing of the bond purchase contract in a negotiated or private financing, or after the acceptance of a bid in a competitive offering, shall submit a report of final sale to the commission by mail, postage prepaid, or by any other method approved by the commission. A copy of the final official statement for the issue shall accompany the report of final sale. If there is no official statement, the issuer shall provide each of the following documents, if they exist, along with the report of final sale:

- (1) Other disclosure document.
- (2) Indenture.
- (3) Installment sales agreement.
- (4) Loan agreement or promissory note.
- (5) Bond purchase contract.
- (6) Resolution authorizing the issue.
- (7) Bond specimen.

The commission may require information to be submitted in the report of final sale that it considers appropriate. The issuer may redact confidential information contained in the documents if the redacted information is not information that is otherwise required to be reported to the commission.

Senate Bill 1124, Chapter 709
Elimination of References to Repealed Code and Obsolete Reports
Effective 1/1/2009

Sections 53646 of the Government Code is amended to read:

53646. (a) (1) In the case of county government, the treasurer may annually render to the board of supervisors and any oversight committee a statement of investment policy, which the board shall review and approve at a public meeting. Any change in the policy shall also be reviewed and approved by the board at a public meeting.

(2) In the case of any other local agency, the treasurer or chief fiscal officer of the local agency may annually render to the legislative body of that local agency and any oversight committee of that local agency a statement of investment policy, which the legislative body of the local agency shall consider at a public meeting. Any change in the policy shall also be considered by the legislative body of the local agency at a public meeting.

(b) (1) The treasurer or chief fiscal officer may render a quarterly report to the chief executive officer, the internal auditor, and the legislative body of the local agency. The quarterly report shall be so submitted within 30 days following the end of the quarter covered by the report. Except as provided in subdivisions (e) and (f), this report shall include the type of investment, issuer, date of maturity, par and dollar amount invested on all securities, investments and moneys held by the local agency, and shall additionally include a description of any of the local agency's funds, investments, or programs, that are under the management of contracted parties, including lending programs. With respect to all securities held by the local agency, and under management of any outside party that is not also a local agency or the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund, the report shall also include a current market value as of the date of the report, and shall include the source of this same valuation.

(2) The quarterly report shall state compliance of the portfolio to the statement of investment policy, or manner in which the portfolio is not in compliance.

(3) The quarterly report shall include a statement denoting the ability of the local agency to meet its pool's expenditure requirements for the next six months, or provide an explanation as to why sufficient money shall, or may, not be available.

(4) In the quarterly report, a subsidiary ledger of investments may be used in accordance with accepted accounting practices.

(c) Pursuant to subdivision (b), the treasurer or chief fiscal officer shall report whatever additional information or data may be required by the legislative body of the local agency.

(d) The legislative body of a local agency may elect to require the report specified in subdivision (b) to be made on a monthly basis instead of quarterly.

(e) For local agency investments that have been placed in the Local Agency Investment Fund, created by Section 16429.1, in National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund-insured accounts in a credit union, in accounts insured or guaranteed pursuant to Section 14858 of the Financial Code, or in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured accounts in a bank or savings and loan association, in a county investment pool, or any combination of these, the treasurer or chief fiscal officer may supply to the governing body, chief executive officer, and the auditor of the local agency the most recent statement or statements received by the local agency from these institutions in lieu of the information required by paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) regarding investments in these institutions.

(f) The treasurer or chief fiscal officer shall not be required to render a quarterly report, as required by subdivision (b), to a legislative body or any oversight committee of a school district or county office of education for securities, investments, or moneys held by the school district or county office of education in individual accounts that are less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

~~(g) Except as provided in subdivisions (h) and (i), each city, county, or city and county shall submit copies of its second and fourth quarter reports to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission within 60 days after the close of the second and fourth quarters of each calendar year. Any city, county, or city and county not required to submit a report pursuant to subdivision (h) or (i) shall file with the commission a written statement within 60 days of the end of the second and fourth quarters of the calendar year stating the distribution and amount of its investment portfolio and that it is therefore not subject to this reporting requirement. This subdivision shall become inoperative on January 1, 2007.~~

~~(h) A city shall not be required to submit a quarterly report to the commission if, during the entire reporting period, the city has maintained 100 percent of its investment portfolio in (1) the treasury of the county in which it is located for investment by the county treasurer pursuant to Section 53684, (2) the Local Agency Investment Fund created by Section 16429.1, (3) National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund insured accounts in a credit union, in accounts insured or guaranteed pursuant to Section 14858 of the Financial Code, or in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured accounts in a bank or savings and loan association, or (4) in any combination of these.~~

~~(i) A county or city and county shall not be required to submit a quarterly report to the commission if, during the entire reporting period, the county has maintained 100 percent of its investment portfolio in (1) the Local Agency Investment Fund created by Section 16429.1, (2) National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund insured accounts in a credit union, in accounts insured or guaranteed pursuant to Section 14858 of the Financial Code, or in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured accounts in a bank or savings and loan association, or (3) in any combination of these.~~

~~(j)~~ **(g)** The city, county, or city and county investor of any public funds, no later than 60 days after the close of the second quarter of each calendar year and 60 days after the subsequent amendments thereto, shall provide the statement of investment policy required pursuant to this section, to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission.

~~(k)~~ **(h)** In recognition of the state and local interests served by the actions made optional in subdivisions (a) and (b), the Legislature encourages the local agency officials to continue taking the actions formerly mandated by this section. However, nothing in this subdivision may be construed to impose any liability on a local agency that does not continue to take the formerly mandated action.

REVENUE AND TAXATION

AB 3035, Chapter 201 Time Extension for Exemption or Supplemental Tax Effective 1/1/2009

Section 75.24 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is added to read:

75.24 (a) Notwithstanding Section 75.22, a property shall be eligible for exemption from the supplemental assessment if the organization claiming the exemption is a qualified organization and meets the qualifications for the exemption established by this part no later than 180 days after the date of the change in ownership or the completion of new construction.

(b) For purposes of this section, "qualified organization" means an organization that qualifies as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SB 1064, Chapter 386 Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.120 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

195.120. (a) By October 31, ~~2007~~ **2008**, the auditor of the County of El Dorado, which was the subject of the Governor's proclamation of a state of emergency for the wildfires that commenced on June 24, 2007, shall certify to the Director of Finance an estimate of the total amount of the reduction in property tax revenues on both the regular secured roll and the supplemental roll for the ~~2006-07~~ **2007-08** fiscal year resulting from the reassessment by the county assessor pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170 of those properties that are eligible properties as a result of that disaster, except that the amount certified shall not include any estimated property tax revenue reductions to school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

SB 1064, Chapter 386 Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.122 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

195.122. (a) On or before June 30, ~~2000~~ **2009**, the eligible county, as described in Section 195.120, shall compute and remit to the Controller for deposit in the General Fund an amount equal to the amount allocated to it by the Controller pursuant to Section 195.121, less the actual

amount of its property tax revenue lost on the regular secured and supplemental rolls with respect to those eligible properties described in Section 195.120 as a result of the reassessment of those properties pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170, excluding any property tax revenue lost by school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education. If the actual amount of property tax revenue lost by the eligible county in the immediately preceding fiscal year, as described and limited in the preceding sentence, exceeds the amount allocated by the Controller to that county pursuant to Section 195.121, the Controller shall allocate the amount of that excess to that eligible county.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.128 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.128. (a) By October 30, 2008, the auditors of the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura, which were the subject of the Governor's disaster proclamations of September 15, 2007, and October 21, 2007, shall certify to the Director of Finance an estimate of the total amount of the reduction in property tax revenues on both the regular secured roll and the supplemental roll for the 2008-09 fiscal year resulting from the reassessment by the county assessor pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170 of those properties that are eligible properties as a result of those disasters, except that the amount certified shall not include any estimated property tax revenue reductions to school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

SB 1064, Chapter 386
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Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.129 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.129. After the county auditor of the eligible county, as described in Section 195.128, has made the applicable certification to the Director of Finance pursuant to that section, the director shall within 30 days after verification of the county auditor's estimate, certify this amount to the Controller for allocation to the county. Upon receipt of certification from the Director of Finance, the Controller shall make the appropriate allocation to the county within 10 working days.

SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.130 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.130. (a) *On or before June 30, 2009, the eligible county, as described in Section 195.128, shall compute and remit to the Controller for deposit in the General Fund an amount equal to the amount allocated to it by the Controller pursuant to Section 195.129, less the actual amount of its property tax revenue lost on the regular secured and supplemental rolls with respect to those eligible properties described in Section 195.128 as a result of the reassessment of those properties pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170, excluding any property tax revenue lost by school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education. If the actual amount of property tax revenue lost by an eligible county in the immediately preceding fiscal year, as described and limited in the preceding sentence, exceeds the amount allocated by the Controller to that county pursuant to Section 195.129, the Controller shall allocate the amount of that excess to that eligible county.*

(b) *For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.*

SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.131 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.131. (a) *By October 30, 2008, the auditor of the County of Riverside, which was the subject of the Governor's proclamation of a state of emergency for the extremely strong and damaging winds that commenced on October 20, 2007, shall certify to the Director of Finance an estimate of the total amount of the reduction in property tax revenues on both the regular secured roll and the supplemental roll for the 2008-09 fiscal year resulting from the reassessment by the county assessor pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170 of those properties that are eligible properties as a result of those disasters, except that the amount certified shall not include any estimated property tax revenue reductions to school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education.*

(b) *For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.*

SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.132 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.132. After the county auditor of the eligible county, as described in Section 195.131, has made the applicable certification to the Director of Finance pursuant to that section, the director shall within 30 days after verification of the county auditor's estimate, certify this amount to the Controller for allocation to the county. Upon receipt of certification from the Director of Finance, the Controller shall make the appropriate allocation to the county within 10 working days.

SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.133 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.133. (a) On or before June 30, 2009, the eligible county, as described in Section 195.131, shall compute and remit to the Controller for deposit in the General Fund an amount equal to the amount allocated to it by the Controller pursuant to Section 195.132, less the actual amount of its property tax revenue lost on the regular secured and supplemental rolls with respect to those eligible properties described in Section 195.131 as a result of the reassessment of those properties pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170, excluding any property tax revenue lost by school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education. If the actual amount of property tax revenue lost by an eligible county in the immediately preceding fiscal year, as described and limited in the preceding sentence, exceeds the amount allocated by the Controller to that county pursuant to Section 195.132, the Controller shall allocate the amount of that excess to that eligible county.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.134 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.134. (a) By September 30, 2009, the auditors of the Counties of Butte, Kern, Mariposa, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, and Trinity, which were the subject of the Governor's proclamations of a state of emergency for the wildfires that occurred during May or June 2008, shall certify to the Director of Finance an estimate of the total amount of the reduction in property tax revenues on both the regular secured roll and the

supplemental roll for the 2008-09 fiscal year resulting from the reassessment by the county assessor pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170 of those properties that are eligible properties as a result of those disasters, except that the amount certified shall not include any estimated property tax revenue reductions to school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

**SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008**

Section 195.135 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.135. After the county auditor of the eligible county, as described in Section 195.134, has made the applicable certification to the Director of Finance pursuant to that section, the director shall within 30 days after verification of the county auditor's estimate, certify this amount to the Controller for allocation to the county. Upon receipt of certification from the Director of Finance, the Controller shall make the appropriate allocation to the county within 10 working days.

**SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008**

Section 195.136 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.136. (a) On or before June 30, 2010, the eligible county, as described in Section 195.134, shall compute and remit to the Controller for deposit in the General Fund an amount equal to the amount allocated to it by the Controller pursuant to Section 195.135, less the actual amount of its property tax revenue lost on the regular secured and supplemental rolls with respect to those eligible properties described in Section 195.134 as a result of the reassessment of those properties pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170, excluding any property tax revenue lost by school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education. If the actual amount of property tax revenue lost by an eligible county in the immediately preceding fiscal year, as described and limited in the preceding sentence, exceeds the amount allocated by the Controller to that county pursuant to Section 195.135, the Controller shall allocate the amount of that excess to that eligible county.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

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Effective 9/27/2008

Section 195.137 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.137. (a) By September 30, 2009, the auditor of the County of Santa Barbara, which was the subject of the Governor's proclamation of a state of emergency for wildfires that commenced on July 1, 2008, shall certify to the Director of Finance an estimate of the total amount of the reduction in property tax revenues on both the regular secured roll and the supplemental roll for the 2008-09 fiscal year resulting from the reassessment by the county assessor pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170 of those properties that are eligible properties as a result of those disasters, except that the amount certified shall not include any estimated property tax revenue reductions to school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

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Section 195.138 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.138. After the county auditor of the eligible county, as described in Section 195.137, has made the applicable certification to the Director of Finance pursuant to that section, the director shall within 30 days after verification of the county auditor's estimate, certify this amount to the Controller for allocation to the county. Upon receipt of certification from the Director of Finance, the Controller shall make the appropriate allocation to the county within 10 working days.

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Section 195.139 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.139. (a) On or before June 30, 2010, an eligible county, as described in Section 195.137, shall compute and remit to the Controller for deposit in the General Fund an amount equal to the amount allocated to it by the Controller pursuant to Section 195.138, less the actual amount of its property tax revenue lost on the regular secured and supplemental rolls with respect to those eligible properties described in Section 195.137 as a result of the reassessment of those properties pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170, excluding any property tax revenue lost by school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education. If the actual amount of property tax revenue lost by an eligible

county in the immediately preceding fiscal year, as described and limited in the preceding sentence, exceeds the amount allocated by the Controller to that county pursuant to Section 195.138, the Controller shall allocate the amount of that excess to that eligible county.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

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Section 195.140 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.140. (a) By September 30, 2009, the auditor of the County of Inyo, which was the subject of the Governor's proclamations of a state of emergency for wildfires that commenced on July 6, 2007, and the severe rainstorms that commenced on July 12, 2008, and caused flash floods, landslides, the accumulation of debris, and that washed-out and damaged roads in that county, shall certify to the Director of Finance an estimate of the total amount of the reduction in property tax revenues on both the regular secured roll and the supplemental roll for the 2008-09 fiscal year resulting from the reassessment by the county assessor pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170 of those properties that are eligible properties as a result of that disaster, except that the amount certified shall not include any estimated property tax revenue reductions to school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

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Section 195.141 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.141. After the county auditor of an eligible county, as described in Section 195.140, has made the applicable certification to the Director of Finance pursuant to that section, the director shall, within 30 days after verification of the county auditor's estimate, certify this amount to the Controller for allocation to the county. Upon receipt of certification from the Director of Finance, the Controller shall make the appropriate allocation to the county within 10 working days.

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Section 195.142 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.142. (a) On or before June 30, 2010, each eligible county, as described in Section 195.140, shall compute and remit to the Controller for deposit in the General Fund an amount equal to the amount allocated to it by the Controller pursuant to Section 195.141, less the actual amount of its property tax revenue lost on the regular secured and supplemental rolls with respect to those eligible properties described in Section 195.140 as a result of the reassessment of those properties pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170, excluding any property tax revenue lost by school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education. If the actual amount of property tax revenue lost by an eligible county in the immediately preceding fiscal year, as described and limited in the preceding sentence, exceeds the amount allocated by the Controller to that county pursuant to Section 195.141, the Controller shall allocate the amount of that excess to that eligible county.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

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Section 195.143 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.143. (a) By September 30, 2009, the auditor of the County of Humboldt, which was the subject of the Governor's proclamation of a state of emergency for wildfires that commenced on May 22, 2008, shall certify to the Director of Finance an estimate of the total amount of the reduction in property tax revenues on both the regular secured roll and the supplemental roll for the 2008-09 fiscal year resulting from the reassessment by the county assessor pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170 of those properties that are eligible properties as a result of those disasters, except that the amount certified shall not include any estimated property tax revenue reductions to school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

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Section 195.144 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.144. After the county auditor of the eligible county, as described in Section 195.143, has made the applicable certification to the Director of Finance pursuant to that section, the director shall within 30 days after verification of the county auditor's estimate, certify this amount to the Controller for allocation to the county. Upon receipt of certification from the Director of Finance, the Controller shall make the appropriate allocation to the county within 10 working days.

SB 1064, Chapter 386
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Section 195.145 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

195.145. (a) On or before June 30, 2010, an eligible county, as described in Section 195.143, shall compute and remit to the Controller for deposit in the General Fund an amount equal to the amount allocated to it by the Controller pursuant to Section 195.144, less the actual amount of its property tax revenue lost on the regular secured and supplemental rolls with respect to those eligible properties described in Section 195.143 as a result of the reassessment of those properties pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 170, excluding any property tax revenue lost by school districts, other than basic state aid school districts, and county offices of education. If the actual amount of property tax revenue lost by an eligible county in the immediately preceding fiscal year, as described and limited in the preceding sentence, exceeds the amount allocated by the Controller to that county pursuant to Section 195.144, the Controller shall allocate the amount of that excess to that eligible county.

(b) For purposes of this section, "basic state aid school district" means any school district that does not receive a state apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 42238 of the Education Code, but receives from the state only a basic apportionment pursuant to Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

Senate Bill 1562, Chapter 356
Disaster Damaged Fruit- and Nut-Trees, and Grapevines
Effective 9/26/08

Section 211 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

211 ~~(a)~~ ***(I)*** The exemption of fruit- and nut-bearing trees until four years after the season in which they were planted in orchard form and grapevines until three years after the season in which they were planted in vineyard form is as specified in subdivision (i) of Section 3 of Article XIII of the ***California*** Constitution. ~~For~~

(2) *For* purposes of exemption pursuant to this subdivision, any fruit- or nut-bearing tree, or any grapevine, severely damaged during the exemption period by the December 1990 freeze so as to require pruning to the trunk or bud union to establish a new shoot as a replacement for the damaged tree or grapevine, shall be considered a new planting in orchard or vineyard form. ~~For~~

(3) *For* purposes of exemption pursuant to this subdivision, any fruit- or nut-bearing tree severely damaged during the exemption period by the December 1998 freeze or the January 2007 freeze so as to require pruning to the trunk or bud union to establish a new shoot as a replacement for the damaged tree shall be considered a new planting in orchard form.

(4) *For purposes of exemption pursuant to this subdivision, any fruit- or nut-bearing tree, or any grapevine, severely damaged during the exemption period by the extremely strong and damaging winds that commenced on October 20, 2007, that were the subject of the Governor's November 2, 2007, proclamation of a state of emergency so as to require pruning to the trunk or bud union to establish a new shoot as a replacement for the damaged tree or grapevine, shall be considered a new planting in orchard form.*

(5) *For purposes of exemption pursuant to this subdivision, any fruit- or nut-bearing tree, or any grapevine, severely damaged during the exemption period by the wildfires that commenced on October 21, 2007, that were the subject of the Governor's October 21, 2007, proclamation of a state of emergency so as to require pruning to the trunk or bud union to establish a new shoot as a replacement for the damaged tree or grapevine, shall be considered a new planting in orchard form.*

(b) The exemption of timber is as specified in subdivision (j) of Section 3 of Article XIII of the *California* Constitution and Section 436.

**Senate Bill 1284, Chapter 524,
Tax Exemption for Low-Income Housing Mitigation
Effective 1/1/2009**

Section 214 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is added to read:

214 (a) Property used exclusively for religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable purposes owned and operated by community chests, funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations organized and operated for religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable purposes is exempt from taxation, including ad valorem taxes to pay the interest and redemption charges on any indebtedness approved by the voters prior to July 1, 1978, or any bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property approved on or after July 1, 1978, by two-thirds of the votes cast by the voters voting on the proposition, if:

(1) The owner is not organized or operated for profit. However, in the case of hospitals, the organization shall not be deemed to be organized or operated for profit if, during the immediately preceding fiscal year, operating revenues, exclusive of gifts, endowments and grants-in-aid, did not exceed operating expenses by an amount equivalent to 10 percent of those operating expenses. As used herein, operating expenses include depreciation based on cost of replacement and amortization of, and interest on, indebtedness.

(2) No part of the net earnings of the owner inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.

(3) The property is used for the actual operation of the exempt activity, and does not exceed an amount of property reasonably necessary to the accomplishment of the exempt purpose.

(A) For the purposes of determining whether the property is used for the actual operation of the exempt activity, consideration shall not be given to use of the property for either or both of the following described activities if that use is occasional:

(i) The owner conducts fundraising activities on the property and the proceeds derived from those activities are not unrelated business taxable income, as defined in Section 512 of the Internal Revenue Code, of the owner and are used to further the exempt activity of the owner.

(ii) The owner permits any other organization that meets all of the requirements of this subdivision, other than ownership of the property, to conduct fundraising activities on the property and the proceeds derived from those activities are not unrelated business taxable income, as defined in Section 512 of the Internal Revenue Code, of the organization, are not subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income that is imposed by Section 511 of the Internal Revenue Code, and are used to further the exempt activity of the organization.

(B) For purposes of subparagraph (A):

(i) "Occasional use" means use of the property on an irregular or intermittent basis by the qualifying owner or any other qualifying organization described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (A) that is incidental to the primary activities of the owner or the other organization.

(ii) "Fundraising activities" means both activities involving the direct solicitation of money or other property and the anticipated exchange of goods or services for money between the soliciting organization and the organization or person solicited.

(C) Subparagraph (A) shall have no application in determining whether paragraph (3) has been satisfied unless the owner of the property and any other organization using the property as provided in subparagraph (A) have filed with the assessor a valid organizational clearance certificate issued pursuant to Section 254.6.

(D) For the purposes of determining whether the property is used for the actual operation of the exempt activity, consideration shall not be given to the use of the property for meetings conducted by any other organization if the meetings are incidental to the other organization's primary activities, are not fundraising meetings or activities as defined in subparagraph (B), are held no more than once per week, and the other organization and its use of the property meet all other requirements of paragraphs (1) to (5), inclusive, of this subdivision. The owner or the other organization also shall file with the assessor a copy of a valid, unrevoked letter or ruling from the Internal Revenue Service or the Franchise Tax Board stating that the other organization, or the national organization of which it is a local chapter or affiliate, qualifies as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code or Section 23701d, 23701f, or 23701w.

(E) Nothing in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), or (D) shall be construed to either enlarge or restrict the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section.

(4) The property is not used or operated by the owner or by any other person so as to benefit any officer, trustee, director, shareholder, member, employee, contributor, or bondholder of the owner or operator, or any other person, through the distribution of profits, payment of excessive charges or compensations, or the more advantageous pursuit of their business or profession.

(5) The property is not used by the owner or members thereof for fraternal or lodge purposes, or for social club purposes except where that use is clearly incidental to a primary religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable purpose.

(6) The property is irrevocably dedicated to religious, charitable, scientific, or hospital purposes and upon the liquidation, dissolution, or abandonment of the owner will not inure

to the benefit of any private person except a fund, foundation, or corporation organized and operated for religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable purposes.

(7) The property, if used exclusively for scientific purposes, is used by a foundation or institution that, in addition to complying with the foregoing requirements for the exemption of charitable organizations in general, has been chartered by the Congress of the United States (except that this requirement shall not apply when the scientific purposes are medical research), and whose objects are the encouragement or conduct of scientific investigation, research, and discovery for the benefit of the community at large. The exemption provided for herein shall be known as the "welfare exemption." This exemption shall be in addition to any other exemption now provided by law, and the existence of the exemption provision in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 202 shall not preclude the exemption under this section for museum or library property. Except as provided in subdivision (e), this section shall not be construed to enlarge the college exemption.

(b) Property used exclusively for school purposes of less than collegiate grade and owned and operated by religious, hospital, or charitable funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations, which property and funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations meet all of the requirements of subdivision (a), shall be deemed to be within the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section.

(c) Property used exclusively for nursery school purposes and owned and operated by religious, hospital, or charitable funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations, which property and funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations meet all the requirements of subdivision (a), shall be deemed to be within the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section.

(d) Property used exclusively for a noncommercial educational FM broadcast station or an educational television station, and owned and operated by religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations meeting all of the requirements of subdivision (a), shall be deemed to be within the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section.

(e) Property used exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, or hospital purposes and owned and operated by religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations or educational institutions of collegiate grade, as defined in Section 203, which property and funds, foundations, limited liability companies, corporations, or educational institutions meet all of the requirements of subdivision (a), shall be deemed to be within the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section. As to educational institutions of collegiate grade, as defined in Section 203, the requirements of paragraph (6) of subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be met if both of the following are met:

(1) The property of the educational institution is irrevocably dedicated in its articles of incorporation to charitable and educational purposes, to religious and educational purposes, or to educational purposes.

(2) The articles of incorporation of the educational institution provide for distribution of its property upon its liquidation, dissolution, or abandonment to a fund, foundation, or corporation organized and operated for religious, hospital, scientific, charitable, or educational purposes meeting the requirements for exemption provided by Section 203 or this section.

(f) Property used exclusively for housing and related facilities for elderly or handicapped families and financed by, including, but not limited to, the federal government pursuant to Section 202 of Public Law 86-372 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1701q), as amended, Section 231 of Public Law 73-479 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1715v), Section 236 of Public Law 90-448 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1715z), or Section 811 of Public Law 101-625 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 8013), and owned and operated by religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations meeting all of the requirements of this section shall be deemed to be within the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section. The amendment of this paragraph made by Chapter 1102 of the Statutes of 1984 does not constitute a change in, but is declaratory of, existing law. However, no refund of property taxes shall be required as a result of this amendment for any fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the amendment takes effect. Property used exclusively for housing and related facilities for elderly or handicapped families at which supplemental care or services designed to meet the special needs of elderly or handicapped residents are not provided, or that is not financed by the federal government pursuant to Section 202 of Public Law 86-372 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1701q), as amended, Section 231 of Public Law 73-479 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1715v), Section 236 of Public Law 90-448 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1715z), or Section 811 of Public Law 101-625 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 8013), shall not be entitled to exemption pursuant to this subdivision unless the property is used for housing and related facilities for low- and moderate-income elderly or handicapped families. Property that would otherwise be exempt pursuant to this subdivision, except that it includes some housing and related facilities for other than low- or moderate-income elderly or handicapped families, shall be entitled to a partial exemption. The partial exemption shall be equal to that percentage of the value of the property that is equal to the percentage that the number of low- and moderate-income elderly and handicapped families occupying the property represents of the total number of families occupying the property. As used in this subdivision, "low and moderate income" has the same meaning as the term "persons and families of low or moderate income" as defined by Section 50093 of the Health and Safety Code.

(g) (1) Property used exclusively for rental housing and related facilities and owned and operated by religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations, including limited partnerships in which the managing general partner is an eligible nonprofit corporation or eligible limited liability company, meeting all of the requirements of this section, or by veterans' organizations, as described in Section 215.1, meeting all the requirements of paragraphs (1) to (7), inclusive, of subdivision (a), shall be deemed to be within the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section and shall be entitled to a partial exemption equal to that percentage of the value of the property that the portion of the property serving lower income households represents of the total property in any year in which ~~either~~ **any** of the following criteria applies:

(A) The acquisition, rehabilitation, development, or operation of the property, or any combination of these factors, is financed with tax-exempt mortgage revenue bonds or general obligation bonds, or is financed by local, state, or federal loans or grants and the rents of the occupants who are lower income households do not exceed those prescribed by deed restrictions or regulatory agreements pursuant to the terms of the financing or financial assistance.

(B) The owner of the property is eligible for and receives low-income housing tax credits pursuant to Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as added by Public Law 99-514.

(C) In the case of a claim, other than a claim with respect to property owned by a limited partnership in which the managing general partner is an eligible nonprofit corporation, that is filed for the 2000-01 fiscal year or any fiscal year thereafter, 90 percent or more of the occupants of the property are lower income households whose rent does not exceed the rent prescribed by Section 50053 of the Health and Safety Code. The total exemption amount allowed under this subdivision to a taxpayer, with respect to a single property or multiple properties for any fiscal year on the sole basis of the application of this subparagraph, may not exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) of tax.

(D)(i) The property was previously purchased and owned by the Department of Transportation pursuant to a consent decree requiring housing mitigation measures relating to the construction of a freeway and is now solely owned by an organization that qualifies as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(ii) This subparagraph shall not apply to property owned by a limited partnership in which the managing partner is an eligible nonprofit corporation.

(2) In order to be eligible for the exemption provided by this subdivision, the owner of the property shall do both of the following:

(A) (i) For any claim filed for the 2000-01 fiscal year or any fiscal year thereafter, certify and ensure, subject to the limitation in clause (ii), that there is an enforceable and verifiable agreement with a public agency, a recorded deed restriction, or other legal document that restricts the project's usage and that provides that the units designated for use by lower income households are continuously available to or occupied by lower income households at rents that do not exceed those prescribed by Section 50053 of the Health and Safety Code, or, to the extent that the terms of federal, state, or local financing or financial assistance conflicts with Section 50053, rents that do not exceed those prescribed by the terms of the financing or financial assistance.

(ii) In the case of a limited partnership in which the managing general partner is an eligible nonprofit corporation, the restriction and provision specified in clause (i) shall be contained in an enforceable and verifiable agreement with a public agency, or in a recorded deed restriction to which the limited partnership certifies.

(B) Certify that the funds that would have been necessary to pay property taxes are used to maintain the affordability of, or reduce rents otherwise necessary for, the units occupied by lower income households.

(3) As used in this subdivision, "lower income households" has the same meaning as the term "lower income households" as defined by Section 50079.5 of the Health and Safety Code.

(h) Property used exclusively for an emergency or temporary shelter and related facilities for homeless persons and families and owned and operated by religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations meeting all of the requirements of this section shall be deemed to be within the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section. Property that otherwise would be exempt pursuant to this subdivision, except that it includes housing and related facilities for other than an emergency or temporary shelter, shall be entitled to a partial exemption. As used in this subdivision, "emergency or temporary shelter" means a facility that would be eligible for funding pursuant to Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 50800) of Part 2 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code.

(i) Property used exclusively for housing and related facilities for employees of religious, charitable, scientific, or hospital organizations that meet all the requirements of subdivision (a)

and owned and operated by funds, foundations, limited liability companies, or corporations that meet all the requirements of subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be within the exemption provided for in subdivision (b) of Section 4 and Section 5 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and this section to the extent the residential use of the property is institutionally necessary for the operation of the organization.

(j) For purposes of this section, charitable purposes include educational purposes. For purposes of this subdivision, "educational purposes" means those educational purposes and activities for the benefit of the community as a whole or an unascertainable and indefinite portion thereof, and do not include those educational purposes and activities that are primarily for the benefit of an organization's shareholders. Educational activities include the study of relevant information, the dissemination of that information to interested members of the general public, and the participation of interested members of the general public.

(k) In the case of property used exclusively for the exempt purposes specified in this section, owned and operated by limited liability companies that are organized and operated for those purposes, the State Board of Equalization shall adopt regulations to specify the ownership, organizational, and operational requirements for those companies to qualify for the exemption provided by this section.

Senate Bill 1284, Chapter 524
Tax Exemption for Low-Income Housing Mitigation
Effective 1/1/2009

Section 214.16 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is added to read:

214.16 *a) Any outstanding tax, interest, or penalty that was levied or imposed upon property that qualifies for an exemption pursuant to Section 214 and satisfies the criteria specified in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (g) of Section 214 between January 1, 2002, and January 1, 2009, shall be canceled, provided that the owner of the property certifies that all of the following conditions were met at the time the tax was levied:*

(1) The owner was not organized and did not operate for profit.

(2) There was a recorded deed restriction or other legal document that restricted the project's usage and that provided that the units designated for use by lower income households were continuously available to or occupied by lower income households at rents not exceeding those prescribed by Section 50053 of the Health and Safety Code.

(3) The funds that would have been necessary to pay property taxes were used to maintain the affordability of, or reduce rents otherwise necessary for, the units occupied by lower income households.

b) For purposes of this section, "lower income households" has the same meaning as defined by Section 50079.5 of the Health and Safety Code.

SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008

Section 218 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

218. (a) The homeowners' property tax exemption is in the amount of the assessed value of the dwelling specified in this section, as authorized by subdivision (k) of Section 3 of Article XIII of the Constitution. That exemption shall be in the amount of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) of the full value of the dwelling.

(b) The exemption does not extend to property that is rented, vacant, under construction on the lien date, or that is a vacation or secondary home of the owner or owners, nor does it apply to property on which an owner receives the veteran's exemption.

(c) For purposes of this section, all of the following apply:

(1) "Owner" includes a person purchasing the dwelling under a contract of sale or who holds shares or membership in a cooperative housing corporation, which holding is a requisite to the exclusive right of occupancy of a dwelling.

(2) (A) "Dwelling" means a building, structure, or other shelter constituting a place of abode, whether real property or personal property, and any land on which it may be situated. A two-dwelling unit shall be considered as two separate single-family dwellings.

(B) "Dwelling" includes the following:

(i) A single-family dwelling occupied by an owner thereof as his or her principal place of residence on the lien date.

(ii) A multiple-dwelling unit occupied by an owner thereof on the lien date as his or her principal place of residence.

(iii) A condominium occupied by an owner thereof as his or her principal place of residence on the lien date.

(iv) Premises occupied by the owner of shares or a membership interest in a cooperative housing corporation, as defined in subdivision (i) of Section 61, as his or her principal place of residence on the lien date. Each exemption allowed pursuant to this subdivision shall be deducted from the total assessed valuation of the cooperative housing corporation. The exemption shall be taken into account in apportioning property taxes among owners of share or membership interests in the cooperative housing corporations so as to benefit those owners who qualify for the exemption.

(d) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to October 20, 1991, that was damaged or destroyed by fire in a disaster, as declared by the Governor, occurring on or after October 20, 1991, and before November 1, 1991, and that has not changed ownership since October 20, 1991, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner.

(e) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to October 15, 2003, that was damaged or destroyed by fire or earthquake in a disaster, as declared by the Governor, during October, November, or December 2003, and that has not changed ownership since October 15, 2003, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner.

(f) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to June 3, 2004, that was damaged or destroyed by flood in a disaster, as declared by the Governor, during June 2004, and that has not changed ownership since June 3, 2004, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner.

(g) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to August 11, 2004, that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred in Shasta County in a disaster, as declared by the Governor, during August 2004, and that has not changed ownership since August 11, 2004, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner.

(h) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to December 28, 2004, that was damaged or destroyed by severe rainstorms, floods, mudslides, or the accumulation of debris in a disaster, as declared by the Governor, during December 2004, January 2005, February 2005, March 2005, or June 2005, and that has not changed ownership since December 28, 2004, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to floods, mudslides, the accumulation of debris, or washed-out or damaged roads.

(i) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to December 19, 2005, that was damaged or destroyed by severe rainstorms, floods, mudslides, or the accumulation of debris in a disaster, as declared by the Governor in January 2006, April 2006, May 2006, or June 2006, and that has not changed ownership since December 19, 2005, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to floods, mudslides, the accumulation of debris, or washed-out or damaged roads.

(j) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to July 9, 2006, that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred in the County of San Bernardino, as declared by the Governor in July 2006, and that has not changed ownership since July 9, 2006, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the wildfires.

(k) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to the commencement dates of the wildfires listed in the Governor's proclamations of 2006 that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred in the Counties of Riverside and Ventura, and that has not changed ownership since the commencement dates of these disasters as listed in the Governor's proclamations of 2006 shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the wildfires.

(l) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to January 11, 2007, that was damaged or destroyed by severe freezing conditions, commencing January 11, 2007, and any other related casualty that occurred in the Counties of El Dorado, Fresno, Imperial,

Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Stanislaus, Tulare, Ventura, and Yuba as a result of a disaster as declared by the Governor, and that has not changed ownership since January 11, 2007, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to severe freezing conditions.

(m) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to June 24, 2007, that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred as a result of this disaster in the County of El Dorado, as declared by the Governor in June 2007, and that has not changed ownership since June 24, 2007, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the wildfires.

(n) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to July 4, 2007, that was damaged or destroyed by the Zaca Fire and any other related casualty that occurred as a result of this disaster in the Counties of Santa Barbara and Ventura, as declared by the Governor in August 2007, and that has not changed ownership since July 4, 2007, may not be denied an exemption solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the Zaca Fire.

(o) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to July 6, 2007, that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred as a result of this disaster in the County of Inyo, as declared by the Governor in July 2007, and that has not changed ownership since July 6, 2007, may not be denied an exemption solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the wildfires.

(p) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to the commencement dates of the wildfires listed in the Governor's disaster proclamations of September 15, 2007, and October 21, 2007, that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura, and that has not changed ownership since the commencement dates of these disasters as listed in the proclamations shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the wildfires.

(q) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to October 20, 2007, that was damaged or destroyed by the extremely strong and damaging winds and any other related casualty that occurred as a result of this disaster in the County of Riverside, as declared by the Governor in November 2007, and that has not changed ownership since October 20, 2007, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the extremely strong and damaging winds.

(r) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to the commencement dates of the wildfires listed in the Governor's disaster proclamations of May, June, or July 2008, that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred in the Counties of Butte, Kern, Mariposa, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, and Trinity and that has not changed ownership since the commencement dates of these disasters as listed in the proclamations shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the wildfires.

(s) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to July 1, 2008, that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred as a result of this disaster in the County of Santa Barbara, as declared by the Governor in July 2008, and that has not changed ownership since July 1, 2008, may not be denied an exemption solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the wildfires.

(t) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to July 12, 2008, that was damaged or destroyed by severe rainstorms, floods, landslides, or the accumulation of debris in a disaster, as declared by the Governor, in July 2008, and that has not changed ownership since July 12, 2008, shall not be disqualified as a "dwelling" or be denied an exemption under this section solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to floods, landslides, the accumulation of debris, or washed-out or damaged roads.

(u) Any dwelling that qualified for an exemption under this section prior to May 22, 2008, that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires and any other related casualty that occurred as a result of this disaster in the County of Humboldt, as declared by the Governor in August 2008, and that has not changed ownership since May 22, 2008, may not be denied an exemption solely on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed or was being reconstructed by the owner, or was temporarily uninhabited as a result of restricted access to the property due to the wildfires.

(v) The exemption provided for in subdivision (k) of Section 3 of Article XIII of the Constitution shall first be applied to the building, structure, or other shelter and the excess, if any, shall be applied to any land on which it may be located.

Assembly Bill 2411, Chapter 329
Refinement of Reduction of Assessment Procedures
Effective 1/1/2009

Section 4836 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

4836 (a) If the correction will result in a reduction of an assessment that would entitle the assessee to a refund, the auditor shall either process the refund or notify the assessee in writing of the requirements for obtaining a refund pursuant to Section 5097. The notice shall state that the assessee is entitled to a refund and that a claim for a refund shall be filed,

pursuant to Section 5097, within 60 days of the date of the notice. Notwithstanding Section 5097, a claim for a refund shall be deemed timely filed if it is filed within 60 days of the date of the notice.

(b) If the correction will increase the amount of unpaid taxes, the assessor shall notify the assessee of the procedure for obtaining review by the county board under Section 1605 and the procedure for applying for cancellation under Section 4986.

Assembly Bill 2411, Chapter 329
Refinement of Reduction of Assessment Procedures
Effective 1/1/2009

Section 5097 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

5097 (a) No order for a refund under this article shall be made, except on a claim:

(1) Verified by the person who paid the tax, his or her guardian, executor, or administrator.

(2) *Except as provided in paragraph (3),* ~~Filed~~ *within four years after making the payment sought to be refunded, or within one year after the mailing of notice as prescribed in Section 2635, or the period agreed to as provided in Section 532.1, or within 60 days of the date of the notice prescribed by subdivision (a) of Section 4836,* whichever is later.

(3) (A) *Filed within one year, if an application for a reduction in an assessment or an application for equalization of an assessment has been filed pursuant to Section 1603 and the applicant does not state in the application that the application is intended to constitute a claim for a refund, of either of the following events, whichever occurs first:*

(i) After the county assessment appeals board makes a final determination on the application for reduction in assessment or on the application for equalization of an escape assessment of the property, and mails a written notice of its determination to the applicant and the notice does not advise the applicant to file a claim for refund.

(ii) After the expiration of the time period specified in subdivision (c) of Section 1604 if the county assessment appeals board fails to hear evidence and fails to make a final determination on the application for reduction in assessment or on the application for equalization of an escape assessment of the property.

(B) Filed within six months, if an application for a reduction in an assessment or an application for equalization of an assessment has been filed pursuant to Section 1603 and the applicant does not state in the application that the application is intended to constitute a claim for a refund, after the county assessment appeals board makes a final determination on the application for reduction in assessment or on the application for equalization of an escape assessment, and mails a written notice of its determination to the applicant and the notice advises the applicant to file a claim for refund within six months of the date of the county assessment appeals board's final determination.

(b) An application for a reduction in an assessment filed pursuant to Section 1603 shall also constitute a sufficient claim for refund under this section if the applicant states in the application that the application is intended to constitute a claim for refund. If the applicant does not so state, he or she may thereafter and within the period provided in paragraph ~~(2)~~ (3) of subdivision (a) file a separate claim for refund of taxes extended on the assessment which the applicant applied to have reduced pursuant to Section 1603 or Section 1604.

(c) If an application for equalization of an escape assessment is filed pursuant to Section 1603, a claim may be filed on any taxes resulting from the escape assessment or the original assessment to which the escape relates within the period provided in paragraph ~~(2)~~ (3) of subdivision (a). ~~or within 60 days from the date the board of equalization makes its final determination on the application, whichever is later.~~

Assembly Bill 2411, Chapter 329
Interest on Refunds from Reduction of Assessment
Effective 1/1/2009

Section 5151 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

5151 (a) Interest at the greater of 3 percent per annum or the county pool apportioned rate shall be paid, when that interest is ten dollars (\$10) or more, on any amount refunded under Section 5096.7, or refunded to a taxpayer for any reason whatsoever. However, no interest shall be paid under the provisions of this section if the taxpayer has been given the notice required by Section 2635 and has failed to apply for the refund within 30 days after the mailing of that notice. For purposes of this section, "county pool apportioned rate" means the annualized rate of interest earned on the total amount of pooled idle funds from all accounts held by the county treasurer, in excess of the county treasurer's administrative costs with respect to that amount, as of June 30 of the ~~preceding~~ fiscal year ~~for which~~ *preceding the date* the refund is calculated *by the auditor*. For each fiscal year, the county treasurer shall advise the Controller of The county pool apportioned rate, and of computations made in deriving that rate, no later than 60 days after the end of that fiscal year. *Any interest paid on a refund at a rate provided for by this subdivision as it read prior to January 1, 2009, shall be deemed to be correct.*

(b) The interest rate provided for in subdivision (a) does not apply to interest on refunds of those amounts of tax that became due and payable before March 1, 1993. Interest on refunds of amounts of a qualified tax shall be paid at that rate provided for by this section as it read prior to January 1, 1993. As used in this section, a "qualified tax" means a tax that became due and payable before March 1, 1993, and had not been refunded as of April 6, 1995. This subdivision shall not be construed to affect the interest paid on refunds of those amounts of tax that became due and payable before March 1, 1993, and have been refunded as of April 6, 1995.

(c) (1) The interest computation period shall commence with the date of payment of the tax when any of the following applies:

(A) A timely application for reduction in an assessment was filed, without regard to whether the refund ultimately results from a judgment or order of a court, an order of a board of equalization or assessment appeals board, or an assessor's correction to the assessment roll.

(B) The refund is pursuant to a roll correction resulting from the determination or adjustment by the assessor or a local assessment appeals board of a base year value.

(C) The refund results from a correction to the assessment roll pursuant to Section 4831 or 4876.

(2) Interest on refunds of taxes on property acquired by a public agency in eminent domain shall accrue from the date of recordation of the deed.

(3) In all other cases the interest computation period shall commence on the date of filing a claim for refund or payment of the tax, whichever is later. However, in the event of the granting of property tax relief pursuant to Section 69, 69.3, or 170, interest is not payable on any resulting

refund of taxes, provided that payment of that refund of taxes is made within 120 days after the county assessor has sent authorization for the reduction to the county auditor.

(d) The computation of interest shall terminate as of a date within 30 days of the date of mailing or personal delivery of the refund payment.

(e) The interest charged shall be apportioned to the appropriate funds, as determined by the county auditor.

(f) The amendments made to this section by ~~the act adding this subdivision~~ *Section 4 of Chapter 801 of the Statutes of 1996* shall apply to all refunds made after January 1, 1997.

NOTE: Legislative Intent

The amendments made by the acts to Revenue and Taxation Code Sections 5097 and 5151 shall not affect any litigation involving property tax refunds pending before January 1, 2009, that assert either of the following:

1. Claims of miscalculation of interest paid under Revenue and Taxation Code Section 5151.
2. Claims interposing noncompliance with Revenue and Taxation Code Section 2635 to revive property tax refund claims otherwise outside the tax refund limitation period of Revenue and Taxation Code Section 5097.

Nothing in the legislative history of the amendments made by this act shall be construed as any indication of the meaning of the law as it existed prior to the effective date of the amendments made by this act.

**SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008**

Section 17207 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

17207. (a) An excess disaster loss, as defined in subdivision (c), shall be carried to other taxable years as provided in subdivision (b), with respect to losses resulting from any of the following disasters:

- (1) Forest fire or any other related casualty occurring in 1985 in California.
- (2) Storm, flooding, or any other related casualty occurring in 1986 in California.
- (3) Any loss sustained during 1987 as a result of a forest fire or any other related casualty.
- (4) Earthquake, aftershock, or any other related casualty occurring in 1987 in California.
- (5) Earthquake, aftershock, or any other related casualty occurring in 1989 in California.
- (6) Any loss sustained during 1990 as a result of fire or any other related casualty in California.
- (7) Any loss sustained as a result of the Oakland/Berkeley Fire of 1991, or any other related casualty.
- (8) Any loss sustained as a result of storm, flooding, or any other related casualty occurring in February 1992 in California.
- (9) Earthquake, aftershock, or any other related casualty occurring in April 1992 in the County of Humboldt.
- (10) Riots, arson, or any other related casualty occurring in April or May 1992 in California.

(11) Any loss sustained as a result of the earthquakes that occurred in the County of San Bernardino in June and July of 1992, or any other related casualty.

(12) Any loss sustained as a result of the Fountain Fire that occurred in the County of Shasta, or as a result of either of the fires in the Counties of Calaveras and Trinity that occurred in August 1992, or any other related casualty.

(13) Any loss sustained as a result of storm, flooding, or any other related casualty that occurred in the Counties of Alpine, Contra Costa, Fresno, Humboldt, Imperial, Lassen, Los Angeles, Madera, Mendocino, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Orange, Plumas, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Tehama, Trinity, and Tulare, and the City of Fillmore in January 1993.

(14) Any loss sustained as a result of a fire that occurred in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura, during October or November of 1993, or any other related casualty.

(15) Any loss sustained as a result of the earthquake, aftershocks, or any other related casualty that occurred in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura on or after January 17, 1994.

(16) Any loss sustained as a result of a fire that occurred in the County of San Luis Obispo during August of 1994, or any other related casualty.

(17) Any loss sustained as a result of the storms or flooding occurring in 1995, or any other related casualty, sustained in any county of this state subject to a disaster declaration with respect to the storms and flooding.

(18) Any loss sustained as a result of the storms or flooding occurring in December 1996 or January 1997, or any related casualty, sustained in any county of this state subject to a disaster declaration with respect to the storms or flooding.

(19) Any loss sustained as a result of the storms or flooding occurring in February 1998, or any related casualty, sustained in any county of this state subject to a disaster declaration with respect to the storms or flooding.

(20) Any loss sustained as a result of a freeze occurring in the winter of 1998-99, or any related casualty, sustained in any county of this state subject to a disaster declaration with respect to the freeze.

(21) Any loss sustained as a result of an earthquake occurring in September 2000, that was included in the Governor's proclamation of a state of emergency for the County of Napa.

(22) Any loss sustained as a result of the Middle River levee break in San Joaquin County occurring in June 2004.

(23) Any losses sustained as a result of the fires that occurred in the Counties of Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura in October and November 2003, or as a result of floods, mudflows, and debris flows, directly related to fires.

(24) Any losses sustained in the Counties of Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo as a result of the San Simeon earthquake, aftershocks, and any other related casualties.

(25) Any losses sustained as a result of the wildfires that occurred in Shasta County, commencing August 11, 2004, and any other related casualty.

(26) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura as a result of the severe rainstorms, related flooding and slides, and any other related casualties, that occurred in December 2004, January 2005, February 2005, March 2005, or June 2005.

(27) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Alameda, Alpine,

Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Fresno, Humboldt, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Yolo, and Yuba as a result of the severe rainstorms, related flooding and slides, and any other related casualties, that occurred in December 2005, January 2006, March 2006, or April 2006.

(28) Any loss sustained in the County of San Bernardino as a result of the wildfires that occurred in July 2006.

(29) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Riverside and Ventura as a result of wildfires that occurred during the 2006 calendar year.

(30) Any loss sustained in the Counties of El Dorado, Fresno, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Stanislaus, Tulare, Ventura, and Yuba that were the subject of the Governor's proclamations of a state of emergency for the severe freezing conditions that occurred in January 2007.

(31) Any loss sustained in the County of El Dorado as a result of wildfires that occurred in June 2007.

(32) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Santa Barbara and Ventura as a result of the Zaca Fire that occurred during the 2007 calendar year.

(33) Any loss sustained in the County of Inyo as a result of wildfires that commenced in July 2007.

(34) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura as a result of wildfires that occurred during the 2007 calendar year that were the subject of the Governor's disaster proclamations of September 15, 2007, and October 21, 2007.

(35) Any loss sustained in the County of Riverside as a result of extremely strong and damaging winds that occurred in October 2007.

(36) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Butte, Kern, Mariposa, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, and Trinity as a result of wildfires that occurred in May or June 2008 that were the subject of the Governor's proclamations of a state of emergency.

(37) Any loss sustained in the County of Santa Barbara as a result of wildfires that occurred in July 2008.

(38) Any loss sustained in the County of Inyo as a result of the severe rainstorms, related flooding and landslides, and any other related casualties, that occurred in July 2008.

(39) Any loss sustained in the County of Humboldt as a result of wildfires that commenced in May 2008.

(b) (1) In the case of any loss allowed under Section 165(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to limitation of losses of individuals, any excess disaster loss shall be carried forward to each of the five taxable years following the taxable year for which the loss is claimed. However, if there is any excess disaster loss remaining after the five-year period, then the applicable percentage, as set forth in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 17276, of that excess disaster loss shall be carried forward to each of the next 10 taxable years.

(2) The entire amount of any excess disaster loss as defined in subdivision (c) shall be carried to the earliest of the taxable years to which, by reason of subdivision (b), the loss may be carried. The portion of the loss which shall be carried to each of the other taxable years shall be the

excess, if any, of the amount of excess disaster loss over the sum of the adjusted taxable income for each of the prior taxable years to which that excess disaster loss is carried.

(c) "Excess disaster loss" means a disaster loss computed pursuant to Section 165 of the Internal Revenue Code which exceeds the adjusted taxable income of the year of loss or, if the election under Section 165(i) of the Internal Revenue Code is made, the adjusted taxable income of the year preceding the loss.

(d) The provisions of this section and Section 165(i) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be applicable to any of the losses listed in subdivision (a) sustained in any county or city in this state which was proclaimed by the Governor to be in a state of disaster.

(e) Losses allowable under this section may not be taken into account in computing a net operating loss deduction under Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(f) For purposes of this section, "adjusted taxable income" shall be defined by Section 1212(b)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(g) For losses described in paragraphs (15) to ~~(32)~~ (39), inclusive, of subdivision (a), the election under Section 165(i) of the Internal Revenue Code may be made on a return or amended return filed on or before the due date of the return (determined with regard to extension) for the taxable year in which the disaster occurred.

SB 1064, Chapter 386
Reassessment of Disaster Damaged Properties
Effective 9/27/2008

Section 24347.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

24347.5. (a) An excess disaster loss, as defined in subdivision (c), shall be carried to other taxable years as provided in subdivision (b), with respect to losses resulting from any of the following disasters:

- (1) Forest fire or any other related casualty occurring in 1985 in California.
- (2) Storm, flooding, or any other related casualty occurring in 1986 in California.
- (3) Any loss sustained during 1987 as a result of a forest fire or any other related casualty.
- (4) Earthquake, aftershock, or any other related casualty occurring in October 1987 in California.
- (5) Earthquake, aftershock, or any other related casualty occurring in October 1989 in California.
- (6) Any loss sustained during 1990 as a result of fire or any other related casualty in California.
- (7) Any loss sustained as a result of the Oakland/Berkeley Fire of 1991, or any other related casualty.
- (8) Any loss sustained as a result of storm, flooding, or any other related casualty occurring in February 1992 in California.
- (9) Earthquake, aftershock, or any other related casualty occurring in April 1992 in the County of Humboldt.
- (10) Riots, arson, or any other related casualty occurring in April or May 1992 in California.
- (11) Any loss sustained as a result of the earthquakes or any other related casualty that occurred in the County of San Bernardino in June and July of 1992.

(12) Any loss sustained as a result of the Fountain Fire that occurred in the County of Shasta, or as a result of either of the fires in the Counties of Calaveras and Trinity that occurred in August 1992, or any other related casualty.

(13) Any loss sustained as a result of storm, flooding, or any other related casualty that occurred in the Counties of Alpine, Contra Costa, Fresno, Humboldt, Imperial, Lassen, Los Angeles, Madera, Mendocino, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Orange, Plumas, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Tehama, Trinity, and Tulare, and the City of Fillmore in January 1993.

(14) Any loss sustained as a result of a fire that occurred in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura, during October or November of 1993, or any other related casualty.

(15) Any loss sustained as a result of the earthquake, aftershocks, or any other related casualty that occurred in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura on or after January 17, 1994.

(16) Any loss sustained as a result of a fire that occurred in the County of San Luis Obispo during August of 1994, or any other related casualty.

(17) Any loss sustained as a result of the storms or flooding occurring in 1995, or any other related casualty, sustained in any county of this state subject to a disaster declaration with respect to the storms and flooding.

(18) Any loss sustained as a result of the storms or flooding occurring in December 1996 or January 1997, or any related casualty, sustained in any county of this state subject to a disaster declaration with respect to the storms or flooding.

(19) Any loss sustained as a result of the storms or flooding occurring in February 1998, or any related casualty, sustained in any county of this state subject to a disaster declaration with respect to the storms or flooding.

(20) Any loss sustained as a result of a freeze occurring in the winter of 1998-99, or any related casualty, sustained in any county of this state subject to a disaster declaration with respect to the freeze.

(21) Any loss sustained as a result of an earthquake occurring in September 2000, that was included in the Governor's proclamation of a state of emergency for the County of Napa.

(22) Any loss sustained as a result of the Middle River levee break in San Joaquin County occurring in June 2004.

(23) Any losses sustained as a result of the fires that occurred in the Counties of Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura in October and November 2003, or as a result of floods, mudflows, and debris flows, directly related to fires.

(24) Any losses sustained in the Counties of Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo as a result of the San Simeon earthquake, aftershocks, and any other related casualties.

(25) Any losses sustained as a result of the wildfires that occurred in Shasta County, commencing August 11, 2004, and any other related casualty.

(26) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura as a result of the severe rainstorms, related flooding and slides, and any other related casualties, that occurred in December 2004, January 2005, February 2005, March 2005, or June 2005.

(27) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Alameda, Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Fresno, Humboldt, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento,

San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Yolo, and Yuba as a result of the severe rainstorms, related flooding and slides, and any other related casualties, that occurred in December 2005, January 2006, March 2006, or April 2006.

(28) Any loss sustained in the County of San Bernardino as a result of the wildfires that occurred in July 2006.

(29) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Riverside and Ventura as a result of wildfires that occurred during the 2006 calendar year.

(30) Any loss sustained in the Counties of El Dorado, Fresno, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Stanislaus, Tulare, Ventura, and Yuba that were the subject of the Governor's proclamations of a state of emergency for the severe freezing conditions that occurred in January 2007.

(31) Any loss sustained in the County of El Dorado as a result of wildfires that occurred in June 2007.

(32) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Santa Barbara and Ventura as a result of the Zaca Fire that occurred during the 2007 calendar year.

(33) Any loss sustained in the County of Inyo as a result of wildfires that commenced in July 2007.

(34) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura as a result of wildfires that occurred during the 2007 calendar year that were the subject of the Governor's disaster proclamations of September 15, 2007, and October 21, 2007.

(35) Any loss sustained in the County of Riverside as a result of extremely strong and damaging winds that occurred in October 2007.

(36) Any loss sustained in the Counties of Butte, Kern, Mariposa, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, and Trinity as a result of wildfires that occurred in May or June 2008 that were the subject of the Governor's proclamations of a state of emergency.

(37) Any loss sustained in the County of Santa Barbara as a result of wildfires that occurred in July 2008.

(38) Any loss sustained in the County of Inyo as a result of the severe rainstorms, related flooding and landslides, and any other related casualties, that occurred in July 2008.

(39) Any loss sustained in the County of Humboldt as a result of wildfires that commenced in May 2008.

(b) (1) In the case of any loss allowed under Section 165 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to losses, any excess disaster loss shall be carried forward to each of the five taxable years following the taxable year for which the loss is claimed. However, if there is any excess disaster loss remaining after the five-year period, then the applicable percentage, as set forth in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 24416, of that excess disaster loss shall be carried forward to each of the next 10 taxable years.

(2) The entire amount of any excess disaster loss as defined in subdivision (c) shall be carried to the earliest of the taxable years to which, by reason of subdivision (b), the loss may be carried. The portion of the loss which shall be carried to each of the other taxable years shall be the excess, if any, of the amount of excess disaster loss over the sum of the net income for each of the prior taxable years to which that excess disaster loss is carried.

(c) "Excess disaster loss" means a disaster loss computed pursuant to Section 165 of the Internal Revenue Code, which exceeds the net income of the year of loss or, if the election under Section 165(i) of the Internal Revenue Code is made, the net income of the year preceding the loss.

(d) The provisions of this section and Section 165(i) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be applicable to any of the losses listed in subdivision (a) sustained in any county or city in this state which was proclaimed by the Governor to be in a state of disaster.

(e) Any corporation subject to the provisions of Section 25101 or 25101.15 that has disaster losses pursuant to this section, shall determine the excess disaster loss to be carried to other taxable years under the principles specified in Section 25108 relating to net operating losses.

(f) Losses allowable under this section may not be taken into account in computing a net operating loss deduction under Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(g) For losses described in paragraphs (15) to ~~(32)~~ (39), inclusive, of subdivision (a), the election under Section 165(i) of the Internal Revenue Code may be made on a return or amended return filed on or before the due date of the return (determined with regard to extension) for the taxable year in which the disaster occurred.

NOTE: Legislative Intent

The Legislature finds and declares that this act fulfills a statewide public purpose because of all of the following:

(a) The Governor of California has officially issued proclamations of a state of emergency declaring that the wildfires that occurred within the County of El Dorado, commencing in June 2007, within the Counties of Inyo, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura during the 2007 calendar year, the extremely strong and damaging winds that occurred in the County of Riverside in October 2007, the wildfires that occurred within the Counties of Butte, Kern, Mariposa, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, and Trinity in May or June 2008, the wildfires that occurred within the County of Humboldt, commencing in May 2008, the wildfires that occurred within the County of Santa Barbara in July 2008, and the severe rainstorms, flash floods, landslides, the accumulation of debris, and washed-out and damaged roads that occurred within the County of Inyo in July 2008, constitute conditions of extreme peril to public health and safety to persons and property within those counties, thus qualifying affected persons for various forms of governmental assistance and relief.

(b) This act is consistent with, and supplements, the proclaimed disaster assistance and relief by providing necessary fiscal assistance and tax relief to affected jurisdictions and persons to allow them to maintain essential basic services and repair damage to, and restore, their homes and businesses.

PENAL CODE

**SB 1241, Chapter 699
County Treasurer Conflict of Duty Correction
Effective 1/1/2009**

Section 1298 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1298 In lieu of a deposit of money, the defendant or any other person may deposit bonds of the United States or of the State of California of the face value of the cash deposit required, and these bonds shall be treated in the same manner as a deposit of money or the defendant or any other person may give as security any equity in real property which he or she owns, provided that no charge is made to the defendant or any other person for the giving as security of any equity in real property. A hearing, at which witnesses may be called or examined, shall be held before the magistrate to determine the value of the equity and if the magistrate finds that the value of the equity is equal to twice the amount of the cash deposit required he or she shall allow the bail. The clerk shall, under order of the court, when occasion arises therefore, sell the bonds or the equity and apply the proceeds of the sale in the manner that a deposit of cash may be required to be applied. ~~The county treasurer shall, upon request of the judge, keep the deposit and return it to the clerk on order of the judge.~~